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ABSTRACT:

An apparatus includes an instruction decoder, first and second source registers and a circuit coupled to the decoder to receive packed data from the source registers and to unpack the packed data responsive to an unpack instruction received by the decoder. A first packed data element and a third packed data element are received from the first source register. A second packed data element and a fourth packed data element are received from the second source register. The circuit copies the packed data elements into a destination register resulting with the second packed data element adjacent to the first packed data element, the third packed data element adjacent to the second packed data element, and the fourth packed data element adjacent to the third packed data element.

18 Claims, 18 Drawing figures

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TITLE: Processor executing unpack instruction to interleave data elements from two packed data

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Assignee Name (1):
Intel Corporation

Brief Summary Text (3):
The present invention includes an apparatus and method of performing operations using a single control signal to manipulate multiple data elements. The present invention allows execution of move, pack and unpack operations on packed data types.

Brief Summary Text (11):
A processor. The processor includes a first register for storing a first packed data, a decoder, and a functional unit. The decoder has a control signal input. The control signal input is for receiving a first control signal and a second control signal. The first control signal is for indicating a pack operation. The second control signal is for indicating an unpack operation. The functional unit is coupled to the decoder and the register. The functional unit is for performing the pack operation and the unpack operation using the first packed data. The processor also supports a move operation.

Drawing Description Text (15):
FIG. 9 illustrates one embodiment of a method followed by a processor when performing an unpack operation on packed data.

Drawing Description Text (16):
FIG. 10 illustrates a circuit capable of implementing an unpack operation on packed data.

Detailed Description Text (3):
A processor having move, pack, and unpack operations that operate on multiple data elements is described. In the following description, numerous specific details are set forth such as circuits, etc., in order to provide a thorough understanding of the present invention. In other instances, well-known structures and techniques have not been shown in detail in order not to unnecessarily obscure the present invention.

Detailed Description Text (19):
FIG. 3 illustrates the general operation of processor 109. That is, FIG. 3 illustrates the steps followed by processor 109 while performing an operation on packed data, performing an operation on unpacked data, or performing some other operation. For example, such operations include a load operation to load a register in register file

204 with data from cache 206, main memory 104, read only memory (ROM) 106, or data storage device 107. In one embodiment of the present invention, processor 109 supports most of the instructions supported by the Intel 80486.TM., available from Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, Calif. In another embodiment of the present invention, processor 109 supports all the operations supported by the Intel 80486.TM., available from Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, Calif. In another embodiment of the present invention, processor 109 supports all the operations supported by the Pentium.TM. processor, the Intel 80486.TM. processor, the 80386.TM. processor, the Intel 80286.TM. processor, and the Intel 8086.TM. processor, all available from Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, Calif. In another embodiment of the present invention, processor 109 supports all the operations supported in the IA.TM.--Intel Architecture, as defined by Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, Calif. (see Microprocessors. Intel Data Books volume 1 and volume 2, 1992 and 1993, available from Intel of Santa Clara, Calif.). Generally, processor 109 can support the present instruction set for the Pentium.TM. processor, but can also be modified to incorporate future instructions, as well as those described herein. What is important is that general processor 109 can support previously used operations in addition to the operations described herein.

Detailed Description Text (51):
In one embodiment of the present invention, the performance of multimedia applications is improved by not only supporting a standard CISC instruction set (unpacked data operations), but by supporting operations on packed data. Such packed data operations can include an addition, a subtraction, a multiplication, a compare, a shift, an AND, and an XOR. However, to take full advantage of these operations, it has been determined that data manipulation operations should be included. Such data manipulation operations can include a move, a pack, and an unpack. Move, pack and unpack facilitate the execution of the other operations by generating packed data in formats that allow for easier use by programmers.

Detailed Description Text (83):
In one embodiment, an unpack operation interleaves the low order packed bytes, words or doublewords of two source packed data to generate result packed bytes, words, or doublewords.

Detailed Description Text (84):
FIG. 9 illustrates one embodiment of a method of performing an unpack operation on packed data. This embodiment can be implemented in the processor 109 of FIG. 2.

Detailed Description Text (96):
In one embodiment of the present invention, to achieve efficient execution of the unpack operation parallelism is used. FIG. 10 illustrates one embodiment of a circuit that can perform an unpack operation on packed data.

Detailed Description Text (104):
Therefore, the move, pack and unpack operations can manipulate multiple data elements. In prior art processors, to perform these types of manipulations, multiple separate operations would be needed to perform a single packed move, pack or unpack operation. The data lines for the packed data operations, in one embodiment, all carry relevant data. This leads to a higher performance computer system.

CLAIMS:

1. An apparatus comprising: a instruction decoder to receive an unpack instruction; a first source register to hold a first packed data having a first plurality of packed data elements including a first packed data element and a third packed data element; a second source register to hold a second packed data having a second plurality of packed data elements including a second packed data element and a fourth packed data element; a destination register to hold a third packed data; a circuit coupled to the decoder to receive the first packed data from the first source register and the second packed data from the second source register and to unpack the first packed data and the second packed data responsive to the unpack instruction by copying the first packed data element into the destination register, copying the second packed data element into the destination register adjacent to the first packed data element, copying the third packed data element into the destination register adjacent to the second packed data element, and copying the fourth packed data element into the

destination register adjacent to the third packed data element.

7. The apparatus of claim 2 wherein the decoder further decodes the unpack instruction, a first byte and a second byte of the three bytes comprising an operation code specifying an unpack operation to interleave low order packed elements from the first and second packed data, the elements selected from the group consisting of byte elements, word elements and doubleword elements.

12. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first packed data element is a low order data element of the first packed data and the second packed data element is a low order data element of the second packed data and the unpack instruction comprises an opcode field to contain one of a set of operation codes to specify an unpack operation interleaving low order data elements from the first and the second pluralities of packed data elements, the opcode field specifying data elements selected from the group consisting of byte elements, word elements and doubleword elements.

14. The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first packed data element is a high order data element of the first packed data and the second packed data element is a high order data element of the second packed data and the unpack instruction comprises an opcode field to contain one of a set of operation codes to specify an unpack operation interleaving high order data elements from the first and the second pluralities of packed data elements, the opcode field specifying data elements selected from the group consisting of byte elements, word elements and doubleword elements.

16. A digital processing apparatus comprising: a decoder to receive an unpack control signal having an Intel integer opcode format comprising three or more bytes, a third byte of the three or more bytes permitting a first three-bit source register address and a second three-bit source-destination register address; a first register to hold a first packed data having a first plurality of packed data elements including a first packed data element and a third packed data element, the first register corresponding to the first three-bit source register address; a second register to hold a second packed data having a second plurality of packed data elements including a second packed data element and a fourth packed data element, the second register corresponding to the second three-bit source-destination register address; a circuit to receive the first packed data from the first register and the second packed data from the second register, and in response to the unpack control signal, to copy the first packed data element into the second register, copy the second packed data element into the second register adjacent to the first packed data element, copy the third packed data element into the second register adjacent to the second packed data element, and copy the fourth packed data element into the second register adjacent to the third packed data element.

17. The digital processing apparatus recited in claim 16 wherein the decoder is further to receive the unpack control signal having an Intel integer opcode format as described in the "Pentium.RTM. Processor Family User's Manual," the Intel integer opcode format comprising three or more bytes, a first byte and a second byte of the three or more bytes permitting an operation code to specify an unpack operation interleaving low order packed byte elements, word elements or doubleword elements from the first and second packed data;

18. A computer system comprising: a memory to hold an unpack instruction having an Intel integer opcode format comprising three or more bytes, one of the three or more bytes permitting a first three-bit source register address and a second three-bit source-destination register address; a storage device to hold software, the software configured to supply the unpack instruction to the memory for execution; a processor enabled to receive and decode the unpack instruction from the memory, the processor including: a first register corresponding to the first three-bit source register address to hold a first packed data having a first plurality of packed data elements including a first packed data element and a third packed data element, a second register corresponding to the second three-bit source-destination register address to hold a second packed data having a second plurality of packed data elements including a second packed data element and a fourth packed data element, and a circuit to receive the first packed data from the first register and the second packed data from the second register and to copy the first packed data element into the second register, copy the second packed data element into the second register adjacent to the

first packed data element, copy the third packed data element into the second register adjacent to the second packed data element, and copy the fourth packed data element into the second register adjacent to the third packed data element.

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Abstract Text (1):
A microprocessor capable of unpacking packed data in response to an unpack instruction. The microprocessor having a a storage area to store a first packed data and a second packed data respectively including a first plurality of data elements and a second plurality of data elements, wherein each data element in the first plurality of data elements corresponds to a different data element in the second plurality of data elements, in a respective position. The microprocessor also includes a circuit that simultaneously copies less than all data elements from the first plurality of data elements and corresponding data elements from the second plurality of data elements into a storage area as a third plurality of separate data elements in a third packed data in response to the unpack instruction.

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FIG. 9 illustrates on embodiment of a method followed by a processor when performing an unpack operation on packed data.

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Detailed Description Text (3):
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Detailed Description Text (20):
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storage device 107. In one embodiment of the present invention, processor 109 supports most of the instructions supported by the Intel 80486.TM., available from Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, Calif. In another embodiment of the present invention, processor 109 supports all the operations supported by the Intel 80486.TM., available from Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, Calif. In another embodiment of the present invention, processor 109 supports all the operations supported by the Pentium.TM. processor, the Intel 80486.TM. processor, the 80386.TM. processor, the Intel 80286.TM. processor, and the Intel 8086.TM. processor, all available from Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, Calif. In another embodiment of the present invention, processor 109 supports all the operations supported in the IA.TM.--Intel Architecture, as defined by Intel Corporation of Santa Clara, Calif. (see Microprocessors, Intel Data Books volume 1 and volume 2, 1992 and 1993, available from Intel of Santa Clara, Calif.). Generally, processor 109 can support the present instruction set for the Pentium198 processor, but can also be modified to incorporate future instructions, as well as those described herein. What is important is that general processor 109 can support previously used operations in addition to the operations described herein.

Detailed Description Text (53):
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Detailed Description Text (86):
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Detailed Description Text (87):
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Detailed Description Text (100):
In one embodiment of the present invention, to achieve efficient execution of the unpack operation parallelism is used. FIG. 10 illustrates one embodiment of a circuit that can perform an unpack operation on packed data.

Detailed Description Text (108):
Therefore, the move pack and unpack operations can manipulate multiple data elements. In prior art processors, to perform these types of manipulations, multiple separate operations would be needed to perform a single packed move, pack or unpack operation. The data lines for the packed data operations, in one embodiment, all carry relevant data. This leads to a higher performance computer system.

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17 Claims, 18 Drawing figures